

# KERN COUNTY PROBATION DEPARTMENT



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3/3/2009

## **Subject: National Crime Victims' Rights Week April 26 May 2, 2009**

The theme for this year's National Crime Victims' Rights Week is "25 Years of Rebuilding Lives: Celebrating the Victims of crime Act," We invite you to join with the Victim/Witness Assistance Center, operated by the Probation Department, to increase public awareness of the support available to crime victims and families. Please identify on the enclosed form an individual on your staff whom you believe has provided excellent service to crime victims and deserves recognition at a public ceremony scheduled for the week of April 26-May 2, 2009.

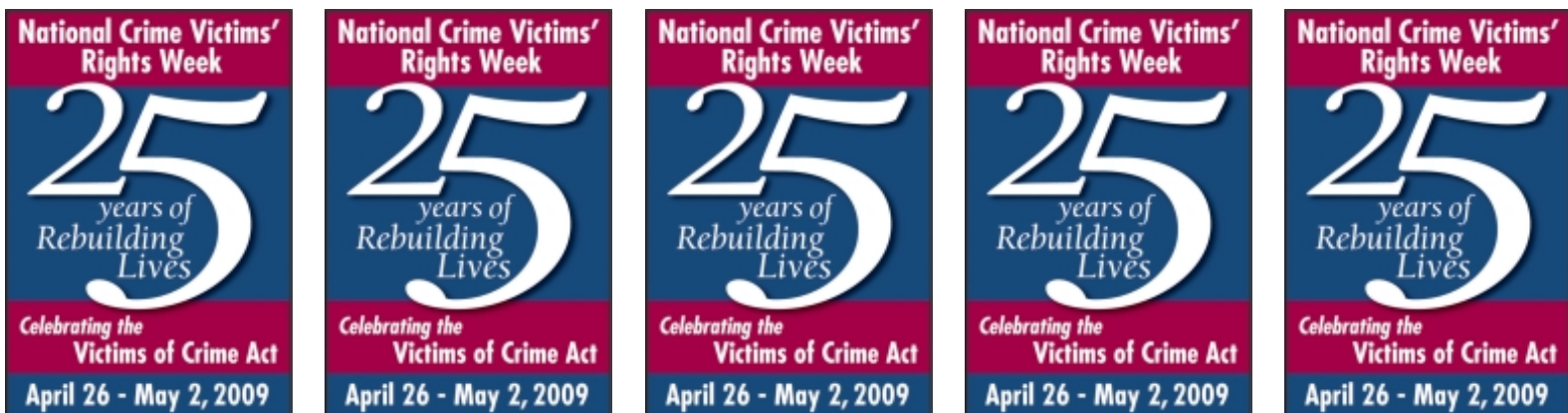
In 1981, President Ronald Reagan proclaimed the first National Crime Victims' Rights Week to place a renewed emphasis and enhanced sensitivity to the rights of victims. This year's campaign will continue to promote that awareness through public rallies, school essay contests, and commemorative activities. As an introduction to NCVRW, this year's media campaign called "A Voice for Victims" focuses on both the victims and witnesses of crime who receive support and advocacy through court.

Community-based agencies are collaboration to implement a successful promotion, and your help is needed to ensure successful representation. Public events for NCVRW have received wide media coverage in the past. This is an opportunity for you or your designee to participate in the ceremony scheduled for April 29, 2009, at 10:00 am to introduce the mission of your organization and the staff member you have selected for acknowledgment. Please submit your nominee by April 17, 2009. If you have any questions regarding any of the activities planned for Victims' Rights Week, please feel free to contact Lupe Perez, Victim Witness Program Coordinator, at (661) 868-4507.

Thank You,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Lupe R. Perez".

Lupe R. Perez  
Probation Supervisor  
Victim Witness



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## **Kern County Victim Witness Program National Crime Victims' Rights Week 2009 Victim Service Award**

Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Public Service/  
Law Enforcement  
Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

**In the past year, what specifically has this individual done to  
distinguish him/herself in the area of victim services?**

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Nomination Made By: \_\_\_\_\_

(Name and Title)

Please submit by April 17th, 2009

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